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M/MED FOR DR FRANK JOHNSON

KABUL FOR DR WESTMAAS

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SUBJ: COMMUNITY RELATIONS

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1. EMB IS HIGHLY GRATIFIED WITH THE DEPT'S RESPONSE TO REF B AND WELCOMES THE PROPOSED CONSULTATION BY DR ALBIN. HIS QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE APPEAR WELL MATCHED TO OUR NEEDS. IF POSSIBLE, WE SUGGEST A SLIGHT ADJUSTMENT IN HIS PROPOSED TRAVEL DATES TO LOCAL WORKWEEK AND HOLIDAYS: ARRIVAL SATURDAY, JULY 24, FOR EMB WORKWEEK BEGINNING THE 25TH AND DEPARTURE NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, AUGUST 5TH, WHICH IS A RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY AND THE BEGINNING OF A THREE-DAY IRANIAN WEEKEND. CLYDE D TAYLOR, EMB REP ON CASC, WILL BE CONTROL OFFICER. PLEASE ADVISE DATES AND ANY PREFERENCE ON ACCOMMODATION.

2. EMB HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT DR ROBERT KEISLING WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE CASC JULY 28 TO 31.

3. CASC HAS UNDER CURRENT CONSIDERATION A PROPOSED MODED COMMUNITY HEALTH REFERRAL CENTER. WHILE DECISIONS CONCERNING SIZE AND UNCLASSIFIED

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CHARACTER OF STAFF WILL BENEFIT GREATLY FROM RECENT VISIT OF DR

WESTMAAS, EMB IS ADDRESSING THE DIFFICULT ISSUE OF HOW SUCH AN INSTITUTION CAN BE CAST IN THE IRANIAN ENVIRONMENT--A DETERMINATION IT REALIZES IT MUST CHART AT LEAST IN PRINCIPLE BEFORE THE WELCOMED RESOURCES OF L, M AND NEA/EX CAN BE TAPPED. AS SOON AS VIABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR AN ORGANIZATION (I.E. ITS LEGAL STATUS, UMBRELLA, ETC.) ARE IDENTIFIED THE EMB WILL REPORT AND REQUEST COMMENT AND ASSISTANCE AS APPROPRIATE.

4. THE JUNE 27 CONSULTATION WITH DR WESTMAAS WAS HIGHLY BENEFICIAL, SERVING TO EDUCATE THE CASC IN SUCH ISSUES AS THE RELATIONSHIP OF TYPE OF SERVICES ENVISAGED TO NECESSARY STAFF AS WELL AS EDUCATING AND ACCELERATING BUSINESS COMMUNITY INTEREST IN THE PROGRAM THROUGH THE PARTICIPATION OF A DOZEN BUSINESS LEADERS AT THE LUNCHEON ADDRESSED BY DR WESTMAAS. CASC WILL, INTER ALIA, AT ITS JULY 7 MEETING, FOCUS ON THE EARLY ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, WHICH IS SEEN AS THE PARENT OF ANY INSTITUTION ESTABLISHED AS WELL AS THE FOCUS FOR COMMUNITY INTEREST IN RESPONDING TO THE PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED. WHEN CONSTITUTED, THIS BODY WULD ALSO ASSUME ROLE OF LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE INSTITUTION FOR RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS OBTAINED FOR COMMUNITY ACTION.

5. SEPTTEL REPORTS EMB/CASC RESPONSE TO REF C.

5. SUGGEST DEPT REPEAT REF D FOR KABUL/DR WESTMAAS.  
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